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October 31, 2002

Ms. Linda Meyer
Office of Waste and Chemical Management (HW-124)
US Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, WA 98101

Re: Closure Settlement Report #12 for Ponds 8E, 15S and Phase IV Ponds
Closure Settlement Report #8 for Pond 16S
FMC Idaho LLC., EPA ID No. IDD 07092 9518

Dear Ms. Meyer:

Please find enclosed the twelfth quarterly Settlement Monitoring Progress Report for Ponds 8E, 15S, and the Phase IV ponds and the eighth quarterly Settlement Monitoring Progress Report for Pond 16S as per the requirements set forth in the respective closure plans.

As previously reported, monitoring data indicate that settlement has reached ultimate values at all of the monuments at ponds 8E, the Phase IV ponds (11S-14S) and Pond 15S. FMC continued preparations to initiate final closure of these units during the 2003 construction season in anticipation of EPA approval of the final closure phase of the respective closure plans by November 30, 2002. With respect to Pond 16S, monitoring data indicate that settlement has reached ultimate values at some of the monuments but settlement rates at some locations within the units are not definitively below acceptable levels for final cap construction as specified in the Pond 16S closure plan.

FMC will continue settlement monitoring and will reevaluate the settlement duration estimates at the end of the following quarter in the next progress report that will be submitted by January 31, 2003.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (208) 236-8216.

Very truly yours,



Rob J. Hartman
FMC Corporation

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